MORNING.

Attorneys Make Speeches and By- Objects to the Total Absence of Repre-Laws of Society are Referred to Attorney-General for Opinion.

The principal matter before the Cab-The principal matter before the Cabinet this morning was the application of the Bow Wong Progressive Association for a charter. Present at the conference were: Wong Leong, president of the society; H. A. Heen, vice-president; C. K. Al, treasurer, and Attorneys W. R. Castle and W. A. Henshall. The matter was strongly presented by the attorneys and explanations were made by the officers of the society. Among other things a copy of the by-laws under which the society will operate was presented. This was referred to the Attorney-General for examina-

tion and report as to whether or not it was in proper form. Thereupon the whole matter went over to Friday's meeting. Upon the showing made indications

Upon the showing made indications are favorable to the charter being granted, as there is not a single reason left for not doing so.

The subject of poor people before the court of claims was discussed at considerable length. It was finally decided to leave the matter to the discretion of the court being that the court the requirement being that the court is the ed to leave the matter to the discretion of the court, the requirement being that a showing of destitute circumstances be made in each case

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## BYAUTHORITY

PUBLIC NOTICE.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Public notice is hereby given that the Court of Claims for losses caused by the Board of Health in the suppression of bubonic plague, having been duly appointed, commissioned and sworn, will hold a session at its courtroom in the Judiciary building in Honolulu on Wednesday, the 4th day of April, A. D. 1900, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and dally at the same hour until further notice (Sundays and holidays excepted).

All persons having claims against the Government which properly should be submitted to this court are notified that their claims must be filed in duplicate before the 1st day of June, A. D. 1900, with the clerk of the court.

The clerk's office will be open for the reception of claims between the hours of 10 a. m. and 6 p. m. daily (Sundays and holidays excepted).

Blanks and information will be furnished by the clerk.

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PLAINLY.

sentatives of the Commercial Com-

The Chamber of Commerce protests vigorously against the absence of any representative of the commercial community on the new Court of Claims. A meeting to take the subject into consideration was held this morning. It was more largely attended than is tisual for meetings of the Chamber to be. In fact it was one of the most largely attended meetings that has been held for some time. It was unanimous in sentiment.

More than a dozen of the members ex-pressed themselves and all to the tenor of the following resolution which was nanimously adopted:
"Resolved, That the Court of Claims,

as at present constituted by appoint-ments, made by President Dole, does not meet with the approval or endorse-

the whole court should consist of mem-

the whole court should consist of members of the legal profession."

Those present at the meeting were:
T. R. Walker, Frank B. Auerbach, E. C. Maefarlane, W. M. Giffard, W. W. Hall, Isidore Rubenstein, C. Bolte, H. A. Parmelee, J. B. Atherton, A. L. Wood representing Henry Waterhouse, Paul Muhlendorf, representing Allen & Robinson, M. Phillips, F. W. McChesney, T. J. King, R. F. Lang, representing E. Hoffschlaeger & Co., W. F. Allen, A. Fernandez representing the Hawalian Hardware Company, C. W. Hawaiian Hardware Company, C. W. Smith, A. V. Gear, C. M. Cocke, A. J. Campbell, F. J. Lowrey, James A. Spencer, F. M. Swanzy and E. F. Bish-

op.

The resolution was offered by Frank The resolution was offered by Frank B. Auerbach. Speeches in favor of it were made F. M. Swanzy, J. B. Atherton, F. J. Lowrey, A. B. Wood, E. C. Macfarlane, Frank B. Auerbach, C. M. Cooke, E. F. Bishop and others. Special stress was laid by nearly all of the speakers on the fact that the subjects of adjudgation to come before igcts of adjudication to come before the court were questions of values of commodities for the most part at least in aggregate value, mercantile commo-dities, and that it was a subject not alone of individual losses but of especial bearing on the commercial side of the city's interests and population. The questions to come before the court were for the most part questions of fact and values rather than questions of law.

A copy of the resolutions adopted has been sent to President Dole.

call him first."-Advertiser.

whether there is any highbinding party in our community. If so, call it by the mame. If there is not, I wish that term "highbinding" be abandoned from now on. RESIDENT.

Honolulu, April 4, 1900.

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C. BREWER A Master Plumbers of Honolulu had a

of Japanese interpreter. He was born and partially raised in Japan, and is thoroughly conversant with the language. He was recently interpreter un-der Superintendent McVeigh at Kalihi

A case suspected of being plague, was reported this afternoon by Inspec-tor Weller from the Palama district. The patient is a thirteen-year-old girl.

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NIGHTS.

W. W. Dimond & Co.'s and E. W. Jordan's Entered Last Night, and Wilder & Co.'s the Night Before.

Four burglaries in two nights is Honotulu's new record of crime. Last right W. W. Dimond & Co.'s store on King street, E. W. Jordan's store on

indicates that the three burglaries were committed by one man or one gang of The police think they have got the men.

At W. W. Dimond & Co.'s the burglary was what might be called a very pretty one. It showed that the cracks-man was a specialist in burgiary. He was after money, and so far as has been discovered the stock of silver-ware, vases, articles of vertu and works of art which the store contained had no attraction for him.

The movements of the burglar can be very clearly traced. He entered from the roof. In the center of the store there is a big light shaft. At the secapplication and practice of law, but said floor this is a large opening profails to understand the reasons which seem to have rendered it necessary that floor it is covered with handsome colored cathedral glass. Above this is a skylight raised above the rest of the roof in the shape of a cupola. The sides of this cupola are fitted with iron slats at an angle to keep out the rain like a venetian blind. Inside these slats is nailed wire netting.

The burglar after getting on the roof which might be accomplished at a num-ber of places as the store is in the von Holt block which is surroundd by a number of lower buildings, went to the Walkiki side of the skylight cupola, removed some of the iron slats, cut the wire netting and let himself in. He must have been a very tall man or at least have very long arms, in order to have let himself to the floor of the third story. The entrance he made was al-most over the colored cathedral glass through which the light from the first floor came up and enabled him to make his footing all right.

This done, he was on the third floor which is used as a stock room. Evidently he was not acquainted with the stairway down, he hunted around until h found the small lift used in lowering stock from the stock room. He slid down the cables on which this lift runs to the floor below. The cable are lubricated with graphite, so that he got his hands and bare feet covered with the graphite and thereafter made marks wherever he stepped and on whatever. he touched.

On the second floor he went into a A copy of the resolutions adopted has been sent to President Dole.

SPEAK OUT.

Editor Star: "So far as Goo Kim is concerned the present Consul is welcome to stay here until he is called for by his appearing. It is only otherwise. come to stay here until he is called for by his ancestors. It is only otherwise with the highbinding cliques, some of with the highbinding cliques, some of whom are more than eager, apparently, which to open drawers, because a large nahead of the ancestors and could be from the stock were found for the flow for the stock were found seattered on the floor together.

COURT OF CLAIMS.

The following officers were elected answer was accepted by the court and the bill thrown out.

McClellan, vice-president: Henry C. Brown, secretary; Dr. G. Waldo Burlow for the stock were found seattered on the floor together. all him first."—Advertiser. found scattered on the floor, together New I am anxious to know definitely, with a box of safety matches.

From the second floor he went down the stairs to the first floor and into the railed-off space used as an office. This floor is kept well lighted all night, so that the interior of the store can be seen by anyone passing either through the alley leading from King street to the post office, or along the front of the store on King street. There is in fact an electric light right over the cashier's desk. But whenever he heard footsteps along either passage, he could crouch down and be out of sight.

He pried open the cashier's drawe with a chisel. The drawer contained only the small sums of money taken in from late sales after the safe had been closed. There was in this drawer \$30.15 besides a quantity of pennies. He did not take the pennies. Then he ran-sacked Mr. Dimond's desk and othr drawers and desks, scattering papers and letters but taking nothing because he found no money. He did not even touch Mr. Dimond's revolver which was in the desk. The stock execut some in the desk. The stock, except some tools, was not disturbed. The safe was not tampered with. The greatest loss is in the scattering and disarrangement

of papers, although none of these, so far as has been discovered, are missing. After finishing his work the burglar went back to the third floor and pulled himself up and out the way he entered, as is shown by the clear, distinct mark of his gring bands. It has been ed, as is shown by the clear, distinct mark of his grimy hands. It has been suggested that these marks offer a practical test of "Pud'n Head Wilson's" theory of the distinctive markings of the individual hands. It is a matter of some surprise that the burglar should have taken all the trouble he did to get out as he could have let himself out of the at the front or side door. of ther at the front or side door.

either at the front or side door.

At Jordan's store the entrance was also made through the roof. A trap door leading from the roof to the attic was pried open. In the attic was a quantity of bunting which had been used for street and building decoration. The burglar twisted a quantity of this into a rope and let himself down to the floor below, and thence made his way to the main floor. There was very little disturbance of stock and comparatively little of desks or drawers. An old till which is not now used as a money drawer was pried open. But there was no money in it. All the cash except a little small change had been put in the safe when the store was closed. This change was in a till which was unlocked and partly open. But it was unlocked and partly open. But it was not disturbed either because the burgiar did not find it or because there was not enough of it. So far as can be discovered the burgiar took nothing from Jordan's store.

The entrance to Wing Lung's store was made through a backdoor, a place of a chisel found there believed to have come from W. W. Dimond & Co's, in-dicating that this burglary was com-mitted after the other. The burglar got Night before last the office of Wilder & Co. was entered, a till opened and

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MATTER BEFORE CABINET THIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SPEAKS FOUR BURGLARIES IN TWO IMPORTANT CHANGE IN THE TURNOUT OF FIRST BATTALION ANOTHER RUSH ON THE HEALTH REQUIREMENTS.

> Consul Haywood Secures an Altera- Much Enthusiasm Manifested-Elec- Fee of \$2 Does Not Stand in the Way of tion by Which Present Masters and Mates May Retain Their Positions.

News has been received from Washington of an important change in the laws of granting of licenses to masters King street, E. W. Jordan's store on Fort street, and Wing Lung's store at ters. The change in question, which king and Alakea streets, were entered, was secured by the efforts of Consultand night before hast Wilder & Co's Haywood, will enable the present of office at Fort and Queen streets was entered.

The evidence left by the burglars all done under the laws as they were approved in January, 1899, requiring all masters to be occan navigators. Those of the island fleets who are not navigators, have been wondering if the introduction of the American laws meant that they would lose their positions, while the companies have expected that they would have to employ navigators on all their vessels.

The rules and regulations for the Board of Successions Instructors of

The rules and regulations for the Board of Supervisiong Inspectors of Steam Vessels contain the following: "No original license as master or mate of any ocean steamer or of coastwise steamers, plying upon the waters of the ocean or high seas, shall be issued to any person, or grade of license raised or route extended, who does not understand navigation, and who is not able to determine a ship's position at sea by observation of the sun, to obtain longitude by chronometer, and to deby observation of the sun, to obtain longitude by chronometer, and to determine a ship's latitude by meridian altitude of either the sun, moon or stars. The examination to determine his qualifications shall be in writing, which shall be kept on file in the office granting the license; and all examinations of masters, mates or pilots, shall be kept on file for reference.

be kept on file for reference.

In the following clause qualifying the foregoing, the words in parenthels are the ones inserted at the instance of Consul Haywood: "Provided, however, that applicants for original license to act as master or mate of steam pilot boats, or of steamers engaged in the Atlantic, Pacific or Gulf coast fisheries (or on steam or sailing vessels navigat-ing between ports of the Hawaiian Islands, or of Porto Rico), shall only be subjected to such examination as shall satisfy the inspector that the ap shall satisfy the inspector that the applicant is a competent coast pilot, and capable of navigating such steamers."

Hawaii will probably come under the jurisdiction of the San Francisco inspector, whose district is all the waters west of the Rock Mountains. A local board will be appointed to look after the business here.

Organization Connected With Central Union Completed Last Night.

A second meeting of the Central Union Brotherhood was held last evening at the residence of Rev. W. M. Kincand last evening. The constitution and bylands ago were adopted with the ex-

Old Correspondent, "Fair Play," Has a Word About It.

Editor Star: The Naval Court which sat lately in Honolulu, composed of four shipmasters, in the case of the British bark Ivernesshire, was no doubt satisfactory to a large majority of the people who are now finding fault with the untried Court of Claims. I could give some interesting accounts of how "putting the evidence on the bench" works, and if the lawyers will only resign from the Court of Claims and all of them refuse to be again appointed, a court composed entirely of business men could be appointed and the appropriation quickly passed, and the appropriation quickly passed, and peace, security and contentment would reign in political and business circles. The Star expressed its opinion editorially of the Naval Court. It will have a chance to say something about the Court of Claims when its work is finished. Is it not rather early to condemn it?

FAIR PLAY.

WAS NOT TO BLAME.

It is denied that the presence It is denied that the presence of a dead body in a room at the Villa for four days was any business of the sanitary inspector. In fact the authorities go so far as to say that if an inspector took the time every day to look through the rooms of clean premises he would be discharged. The duties of inspectors are to examine unclean or suspect premises and to look for unattended cases of liliness among Chinese, Japanese and natives. ese and natives.

MAP OF DISEASES. Dr. Wood is preparing a map showing the location of each consumption, typhoid fever, and other fever case since plague broke out in December. When completed the map will be interesting? A large number of the cases of all the classes named are traced to Chinatown. Palama and Kalihi furnished some and those wars a few interesting. nished some and there were a few in Makiki. Typhoid cases at Buana Vista hospital came, of course, from camp

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LAST NIGHT

tions are Approaching-Several Commissions to be Tried For.

The first battalion meeting since the First Regiment was in active service, was held last night at the Drill shed. Major Ziegler, who called the meeting said he was both gratified and surprised and mates of vessels in Hawaiian was and mates of vessels in question, which ters. The change in question, which was secured by the efforts of Consul Haywood, will enable the present of were present about thirty members of Company B, forty of F, and thirty of A. It was announced that company drills would be held hereafter weekly, and battallon drills once a month. An outing and camp fire for the battallon will be held in the near future, somewhere be held in the near future, somewhere outside the city, possibly at Pearl City. The new uniforms, for the members, conforming to the United States army uniform will be ready next Tuesday. Election of officers in all the companies of the battailon will be held shortly, and in consequence military politics, are becoming to the consequence of the consequen

shortly, and in consequence military politics are beginning to be active. From Company A, Captain W. Carlisle has gone to the coast to go into busi-ness there, and Lieutenant W. Fetter has gone into business in Hilo. This leaves the company with but one commissioned officer, Lleut. Harry Klem-

The annual election of Company F will be held next week. There are two tickets in the field. One of them is Captain Ludwig for re-election, Sam Johnson for First Lieutenant, and Ser-Johnson for First Lieutenant, and Sergeant Major Louis Berndt for Second Lieutenant. The other ticket is Lieut Sam Johnson for Captain, Sergeant Major Berndt for First Lieutenant and Harry A. Taylor Second Lieutenant. In Company B there is a second lieutenancy to be filled, and the annual election of officers will be held soon, Sergeant Major Langer Thompson of

Sergeant Major James Thompson of the Second Battalion has been asked to stand for a lieutenancy both in Company A and in Company H. This together with the fact that Sergeant Major Berndt of the First Battalion is almost certain to beome a lieutenant, there will probably be new sergeant majors to be chosen in each battalion.

YOUNG MEN'S LEAGUE.

the business here.

A BILL DISMISSED.

Yesterday afternoon Judge Silliman dismissed the bill of Sam Furushima against the bark Seminole, suit for \$5,000 on account of alleged false imprisonement on the part of Captain C. Taylor.

This suit was brought only a few days ago. Plaintiff was a cook on the Seminole. He claimed to have been assaulted by Captain Taylor and then thrown into prison upon his complaint without cause or justification. Captain Taylor's answer was accepted by the court and the presented at the first meeting two weeks ago were adopted with the exception that the name was changed to The Young Men's League of Central Union Church. The League will meet Tuesday evenings at Central Union Church, with probably a business an is to the more active participation of young men in the affairs of the church and the promoting of a "hearty, helpful fellowship among the young men of this city."

The following officers were elected Dan, H. Case, president: George B.

chairman of the membership commit-tee; A. Cowan of the social committee; Giles H. Gere of the invitation commit-

tee, and Frank C. Atherton, usher.
Mrs. Kincald pleasantly entertained
the members present, and Mrs. Mead
rendered some pleasing violin music.

BY-LAWS BEING PREPARED.

Regulations of the Bow Wong Progressive Association.

The Bow Wong Progressive Asso-ciation is preparing its rules and regulations, to govern the organization in future, and the same will be submitted to the Cabinet for consideration in connection with its application for char-ter. It will be the set of rules under which the society will continuously op-

The by-laws of the society, when given publicity, will, it is said, place the consul of the Chinese Empress Dowager in a position where an explanation of a former letter to the Government and draft of a set of rules may be nec-

MARRIED.

SCHNEIDER-MOELL—At the rest-dence of the bride, on upper Fort street, by Rev. G. L. Pearson, John T. Schneider and Mrs. Effie L. Moell. Dr. W. E. Taylor gave the bride

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LESS THAN USUAL PRICES. Cashmere boquet soan. Cutleurs soan and saive at less than usual prices for these standard goods, are among the attractions that bring the people to L. B. Kerr & Co., Ltd. this week.

OFFICE.

Those Desiring the Remedy-All Na-

This morning there was another immense jam at the Board of Health office for Haffkin's prophylactic. There was really twice as many as Dr. Jobe could possibly artend. A native clerk met the arrivals at the door, collecting the fee, listing the names, and then calling them off in the order in which they appeared.

tionulities Taking It.

appeared Dr. Jobe worked until his fingers Dr. Jobe worked until his fingers were sore. At noon he took a short rest for lunch, and is at it again this afternoon. To date nearly \$1,800 has been turned over to the Board as receipts from the prophylactic. This shows that 900 people have taken the treatment since the fee of \$2\$ was established. At this rate the business will more than pay expenses as the prophylactic only comes about \$1.

There are still a number of Japanese in the number of applicants. Only a small per cent of them intend going away and are taking the prophylactic purely as a preventive of plague. In

purely as a preventive of plague. In the batch of callers this morning were a number of stevedores from the wharves, and several sailors who desir-

wharves, and several sailors who desired having no trouble in passing to and from their ships. Quite a few were white people who wish to travel, most of them to the other islands.

This afternoon Dr. Jobe has in hand another large batch of sailors. Altogether there are seventy-five men, belonging to the various small craft in taxet.

"In place of decreasing, the number of applicants for prophylactic seems to increase daily," said Dr. Jobe this afternoon, "I do not know where it will end. My hands are certainly quite full at present, and there appears to be no let up in sight.

DEMURRER SUSTAINED. In the matter of Lum Ah Lee, et al., vs. Ah Soong, et al., bill for injunction, Judge Silliman has overruled defendant's demurrer, and has signed an arder dissolving the temporary injunction granted some days ago. Plaintiff is given the right to bring a new suit after

proper amendments.

LATE LOCALS. Dr. Garvin assumed his new duties with the Board of Health this morn-

ing. Theree will be no matters before the Supreme court until Friday morning. ft is the intention of the Court of Claims to meet every afternoon at 2 o'clock and to sit until about 6.

The Commissioners of Education will hold a meeting tomorrow afternoon at the usual hour.

Professor Lyons reports today to be one of the very hottest for this season of the year. The thermometer regis-tered 85 at noon which was within five degrees of the maximum.

TWO AUTOPSIES.

Dr. Hoffman heid two autopsies this morning. Nothing of a suspicious nature was found in either case. The first was a Chinese boy named Ah Pat, aged 9, from Kamehameha road in Kalihi, and the second. Kini, male Hawallan ,aged two months, from Kakaako.

WILL DO SHIPPING

Captain Bray of the Sailors' Home, says that he will do shipping business when he takes hold of the institution. He intends to make the establishment a place where captains may get all the erews they want, and expects that It will be of great service to masters of vessels in port here.

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